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Richard Wright is a Board Certified Internist and Infectious Disease Fellow who received two years of epidemiology training and experience as an Epidemic Intelligence Service Officer with the Center for Disease Control. Since 1998, he served as the Medical Director of the Denver Community Health Service Program and during this time he completed a Masters in Public Health from Loma Linda University. Since 1994, he has served as the Executive Director for the DCHSP and was promoted as full professor in the Department of Preventive Medicine and Biometrics at the University of Colorado.

Dr. Wright is a member of American Public Health Association, Society for Research and Education in Primary Care Internal Medicine, American College of Physician Executives and Committee on Using Performance Monitoring to Improve Community Health, Institute of Medicine. Dr. Wright is a fellow of American College of Physicians and chairman of Committee on CHS Evaluation, Bureau of Health Care Delivery and Assistance, Department of Health and Human Services.

He has also received numerous awards and honors to include, Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha Omega Alpha, Southern Minnesota Medical Association, Scholastic Award in Clinical Medicine and Nominee for annual award as faculty member making the most significant contribution to education of minority students.

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Mark Hayes is Vice President for St. Louis 2004, a broad-based effort chaired by former U.S. Senator John C. Danforth. St. Louis 2004 is a movement to bring about a renaissance, a rebirth in the St. Louis region, using the year 2004 as a deadline. The simple mission of St. Louis 2004 is to make the region a great place to live, a better place for everyone.

A pharmacist by profession, Hays has spent eight years in health policy in Washington, D.C. He served as the health policy advisor for U. S. Senator Christopher S. "Kit" Bond from 1989 to 1995 and was the Assistant Director for Federal Government Relations for Hoffmann-La Roche, and international pharmaceutical, biotech and diagnostics leader. As Senator Bond's health Legislative Assistant, Hayes advised Bond on policy issues addressed by the Senate Republican Health Task Force, the Bipartisan Mainstream Task Force, and the Senate Budget and Appropriations Committees.